

4 of said adapter element relative to said receiver element
5 comprises engaging and locking together said bayonet lock
6 fastener components.

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1 31. (new) The method according to claim 27, further comprising
2 an additional step, performed after said step b) and before
3 said step d), of coating a surface of said adapter element
4 and of said implant connected to said adapter element with
5 a coating layer of living cells.

In the Abstract:

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lines 1 to 17, to read as follows:

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

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In a method for inserting an implant, such as a biological or artificial heart valve into a human organ, first the implant is provided with an adapter element, then a receiver element that is adapted to fit the adapter element is sutured to the recipient organ, and finally the adapter element is connected to the receiver element. The receiver element and the adapter element are each ring-shaped and are provided with matched interengageable threadings. They are connected with one another by relative rotation via a self-locking bayonet lock. Before being connected to the receiver element, the implant together with the adapter element are coated with living cells. Both the receiver